

Hello,

Ulster Canoe Polo Club would like to invite you to our inaugural Junior International Canoe Polo Competition 2017. We as a club were looking for a competition to travel to and compete against other junior clubs, we could not find an international competition for juniors so we are now hosting our own with the support of CANI, BCU, CI, Argento and the ICF. We would love to see your clubs come along and represent your countries or represent your clubs at our event. Below you will find details about the event and the organisers. Please get in touch with us if you have a query: juniorinternationalpolo@gmail.com

Organising Committee and Contact Details

- 1. Chairperson Peter Boyle pete@argento.com
- 2. Treasurer Simon Mckenna
- 3. Event Organiser Joann Guest juniorinternationalpolo@gmail.com
- 4. Chief Referee Sean Downs Seandowns@eircom.net
- 5. Chief Scrutineer Tony Griffin tonymgriffin@gmail.com
- 6. CANI representative Ashley Hunter & Matt McKnight
- 7. British Canoe Polo Representative Niall Evans
- 8. Child Protection Officers: Judith Davis & Kevin Mussen

Competition Dates: Wednesday 2nd to Sunday 6th August 2017

The Junior International 2017 will be played on full size pitches in a flatwater reservoir in Carryduff. Goals will be full size for U19 and U16 and will be lower but full size frames for U14.

Entry

Entry will be free until 1st March then a fee of £100 per team for entry will be charged. Deadline for entry is 31^{st} March 2017.

Please sent entries and queries to juniorinternationalpolo@gmail.com

Teams and Divisions

There will be 36 teams - 12 per division (U19, U16 and U14) with a girls division if sufficient interest. Teams can choose to represent their countries of origin or to represent their Clubs.

- U19 must be 18 on 1st January of 2017
- U16 must be 15 on 1st January of 2017
- U14 must be 13 on 1st January of 2017

Transport

Transport will be available free of cost from both Belfast Airports and also from Dublin at a minimal cost.

The venue is very well connected to Belfast by regular bus services.

(IFS) International freight Services will provide discounted shipping to collect and deliver boats where required. Please get in touch to avail of the discounted rates.

Accommodation

We have booked out the Ivanhoe Hotel for the Sunday Night (prize giving).

There will be a free campsite with toilets and showers provided onsite beside the pitches. There is a potential to provide tents if required. A limited number Glamping pods will also be available.

Food

Catering tents and food stalls offering a range of foods will be available to purchase throughout the duration of the tournament. Further details on this will follow.

Toilets and Showers

There will be toilets and showers available at the venue.

Accreditation

Passports will be required for each competitor to confirm their age.

Scrutineering Information

Cosmetic: Boats all the same colour. Numbers on the back of boats and on helmets. Helmets must be the same colour.

Safety: Bumpers new or in good condition. NO TAPE allowed on bumpers.

Helmets: Face guard to reach players jawline.

Boat laminating will be available on the Monday and Tuesday in solid colours at the venue.

Boat storage

A secure boat storage area with suitable boat racking will be available within a manned gate when open.

Line Judges, Table and referees are not to be players.

Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony will take place on Wednesday 2nd August at lunchtime in Belfast.

Training Camps will be organised based upon interest - ICU/BCU to run training camps.

Insurance

The Event is insurance by CANI - membership of home nation is mandatory. CANI insurance covers competition time and venue only. Proof of travel insurance will also be required to cover times when not at event activities.

Pitches

There will be 4 Match Pitches and 1 spare with practise goals for each pitch.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Belfast! This is the first event for Juniors only and will be a unique tournament at a fantastic purpose built venue.

Ariel View of the Site. More photos and videos to follow. Please find us on facebook!

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